YOUTH AGAINST HATE

anti-racist/anti-fascist organizing conference

Saturday June 22 - Sunday June 23, 1996

Toronto, Ontario

presented by
ANTI-RACIST ACTION (Toronto)

co-sponsored by the
CANADIAN ANTI-RACISM EDUCATION AND RESEARCH SOCIETY (CAERS)

- Learn skills to expose and confront neo-Nazis in your community
- Share experiences with anti-racists from across Ontario and beyond!
- Practice creating anti-racist propaganda and educational materials
- Get the background you need about fascism and the movements against it
- Meet anti-racist artists & musicians
- Have a good time!

FEES: $10/day (pre-registered) (Send U.S. funds if that's where you live)
$12/day (door)

For more information contact Anti-Racist Action, P.O. Box 291, Station B, Toronto, Ontario M5T 2T2
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PRE-REGISTRATION IS IMPORTANT: PLEASE PRE-REGISTER BY JUNE 5.
Please fill out both sides of this registration form and send it with your cheque or money order to: Anti-Racist Action, Box 291, Station B, Toronto, ON M5T 2T2. You will receive a confirmation package with directions to the conference.

Name: _____

Mailing address: _____

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Organization (if any): _____

Phone number where you can be reached or get a message:

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Please check off the boxes that are right for you:
- ❑ Please register me for both days
- ❑ Please register me for Saturday only
- ❑ Please register me for Sunday only
- ❑ I can only come for one day, but I need to know the workshop schedule before I decide which one.

I'm from out of town and
- ❑ I have a place to stay
- ❑ I need a place to stay on Saturday night only
- ❑ I need a place to stay on Friday **and** Saturday night
- ❑ I don't know for sure right now

- ❑ I prefer vegetarian food
- ❑ I prefer vegan food
- ❑ I prefer kosher food
- ❑ I prefer hallal food

I prefer _____

- ❑ I will need childcare during the conference for my ___ year old.
- ❑ I will need sign-language interpretation.
- ❑ I will need physical assistance to participate (please describe):

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(See over for more)

WHOLE GROUP DISCUSSIONS

SATURDAY

Special guests will speak about today's white supremacists – what they believe and how they organize. They will describe the connections between fascism and racism, anti-Native organizing, anti-Semitism, denial of the Holocaust, sexism and homophobia, ableism, psychiatry, anti-choice organizing, and economic exploitation and oppression.

- **Rodney Bobiwash**, Native Rights and anti-fascist activist
- **Bonnie Burstow**, feminist anti-fascist activist and scholar
- **Harry Loewen**, from the **Western Anti-Racist Network** in Winnipeg
- **Tim McCaskell**, anti-racism and anti-homophobia consultant, Toronto Board of Education
- Representatives of the **Toronto Coalition Against Racism**, the **Canadian Auto Workers Human Rights Committee**, and the **Simon Wiesenthal Centre**

SUNDAY

Representatives from different anti-fascist organizations describe their strategies for dealing with white supremacists.

- **Anti-Racist Action (Toronto)**
- **Anti-Racist Action (Minneapolis)**
- **The League for Human Rights of B'nai Brith Canada**
- **Canadian Anti-Racism Education and Research Society**
- **and others**

Everyone can get involved in the discussion –

- about linking anti-fascism to broader anti-racist community struggles
- about the role of the police, school boards and other institutions
- about how different groups can support each other in exposing, opposing and confronting racism and fascism.

WORKSHOPS Sat & Sun

1. **Anti-Fascist History**
   Presentations and discussion with anti-fascist fighters from World War II and the Spanish Civil War.

2. **Starting a Youth-Based Anti-Racist/Anti-Fascist Group**
   Practical stuff! Planning public events (promotion, security, etc.), dealing with the media, publicity, propaganda and education, networking with other community organizations. Each participant will get a ARA starter kit.

3. **The Neo-Nazi Music Industry**
   Information about this important development in the white power movement, and strategies for organizing against it.

4. **Rock 'n Rap Against Racism**
   Making contacts for bigger and better shows! Also, some background of the anti-racist music scene in Europe and North America.

5. **Street Art & Propaganda –** Creative!

6. **Nazis in your 'Hood**
   An overview of far-right organizations in Canada.

7. **Monitoring and Tracking the Fascists**
   Tools for gathering information & passing it on.

8. **Anti-Native Hate Groups**
   Background and current wave of attacks on First Nations treaty rights, and strategies for resistance and solidarity

9. **Street Kids Against Racism**
   Front-line anti-fascists describe their experiences!

10. **Producing Newsletters & Bulletins**
    Participants will actually generate, edit and lay out a conference newsletter to be distributed at the end of the conference.

11. **Homophobia, Anti-Choice Terror, & the Christian Right**

12. **Cops & Klan...**
    Discussion about fascist organizing within police, military, immigration, and among prison guards, and broader strategy issues

13. **Copwatch**
    ARA Minneapolis shares their experience of monitoring racist police brutality.

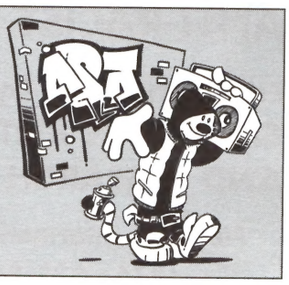
14. **Unlearning**
    Confronting racism, anti-semitism, ableism, homophobia & sexism in ourselves and around us through activist work.

15. **Neo-Nazis & the Law**
    Lawyers & activists talk about suing nazis, charging nazis with criminal offences, and defending anti-racists.

16. **Anti-Hate Initiatives in the Workplace and Labour Movement**

17. **Racism, Fascism and Resistance in the Media**

...and on Saturday night, ARA presents a KICK-ASS SKA AND REGGAE SHOW!



(We will make every attempt to meet everyone's needs. If we are unable to do so, we will let you know in advance.)

I'm most interested in these **six** workshops: ☐☐☐☐☐☐
(please write in the numbers -- we just want to know which ones are most popular.)

I would like to see a workshop on the subject of: _____

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I can't afford $10 per day. I am enclosing $_____ and I will volunteer to help with _____.

ADMITTANCE POLICY

NAZI FREE ZONE! We reserve the right to refuse registration to members or supporters of white supremacist organizations, or any other goof who just wants to disrupt the conference. Also, we will ask that members of police forces and media representatives identify themselves at the door and in any workshop.

REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Pre-registration is very important so we can plan the food, lodging, etc. Fees for pre-registrants are $10 per day. Young children come for free. If you can't afford $10/day, please send what you can and let us know what you could do to help with some aspect of running the conference.

If you can afford more ... please help us out with what you can. We need to raise a lot of money for this conference – because $10 per day only covers the food. A bed for an out-of-town traveller costs us $20/night. Your contribution can help us bring more people from cities and towns outside Toronto, and will help build a strong anti-racist network in our area!

Write us for more copies of this flyer and posters.